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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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TAKEHARU OKUNO)	
	:	Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Application No.: 10/603,892)	
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Filed: June 26, 2003)	
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For: POLARIZATION SEPARATION)	
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APPARATUS USING THE SAME)	September 9, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The documents are discussed in the specification at page 3. Applicant submits that the listed Japanese language document is relevant for the reasons noted therein. In addition, Applicant has obtained from a commercial database an English language abstract for the Japanese language document, a copy of which is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

FORMAL MATTERS


No fee is believed due in connection with this paper; however, if any fee is due, it should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

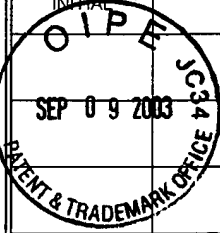


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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
*EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE	
	6,122,103	09/19/00	Perkins, et al.				
	6,208,463	03/27/01	Hansen, et al.				
	6,243,199	06/05/01	Hansen, et al.				

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT	
	09-288211	11/1997	Japan			Abstract	

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)		
		J.P. Auton, "Infrared Transmission Polarizers by Photolithography", Applied Optics Vol. 6, No. 6, pp. 1023-1027 (1967).

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